Sunrise Elementary Pick Up and Drop Off Safety Rules

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Sunrise Elementary was originally built for a very small number of children and now houses one of the largest student bodies in the district with almost 800 students. Needless to say, pick up and drop off times get very congested. It actually only takes about 10 minutes to move traffic through after the last bell at the end of the day. So, please use caution and be patient when choosing where to drop off or pick up your children. Make sure the children know the plan for where your carpool will meet and stick with the plan. Be a positive role model for the children and other parents.

You can avoid the pick up and drop off lines altogether. Try to carpool or have your children walk home as often as possible.

Another idea is to coordinate a walking group

from your neighborhood. If possible, designate a location for drop off and pick up on adjacent streets. If you do this, please review the <u>Safe</u> Routes Utah website as well as being respectful of others' private property. If none of those options will work for your situation, please choose one of the two options below.

Option 1: 455 East along the playing field

- Enter this area from the south of the school on 455 East. Drive around the block to avoid blocking the road. Don't block traffic. Keep traffic moving.
- The right lane is the drop off/ pick up lane. Please pull as far forward as possible. Students enter/exit on the curb side only.
- The left lane is the passing lane. Do not park in the passing lane.
- Do not allow students to walk in between cars to get to your parked car.
- No U-Turns on 455 East by the school.
- Avoid turning left into this area from the north bound lane when there is a lot of traffic. Drive around the block until there is an opening in the traffic. Don't block traffic. Keep traffic moving.
- Keep crosswalks clear.

Option 2: Front Entrance

- Teach children to exit and enter your vehicle quickly on the side of the car closest to the curb. Never allow them to walk in between cars.
- Do not get out of your car and keep moving forward as cars leave the line.
- Keep crosswalks clear.
- Children cannot walk through the parking lot during these busy times without an adult. Use appropriate sidewalks and crosswalks to access parked cars.

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⚠ Stay off your cellular device during pick up and drop off times. Distracted driving can result in a child or adult getting hit by a car. Be a positive role model for our students and other parents.

⚠ Do not use the lower parking lot. This is for staff parking. Head Start, a preschool that is not part of our school, is housed in that parking lot as well. Their staff and families are allowed to pull in and out of that lot. If you drop off here, your child may be locked out. This area is unsafe for picking up children and contributes to more congestion in the upper lot. DO NOT use this lot to drop off or pick up.

⚠ **Do not use the cul-de-sac** adjacent to the north end of the campus as a designated pick-up. The design of the cul-de-sac is not conducive to the traffic that has been present in past years. Neighbors have reported close calls as well as extensive damage to private property. If you have been using this area, please have your students meet you at a location on 120 South Street or 300 East Street.

Our School Community Council will review this safety plan every year. We will also continue to communicate with the Smithfield City Police Department. Officers will continue to monitor 455 East in front of our school and the crosswalk on 300 South.

Report any dangerous situations occurring on city streets to the Smithfield City Police Department. Getting a license plate number and vehicle description is super helpful.

(435) 563-8501 https://smithfieldcity.org/police

Report any dangerous situation on school property to the principal of Sunrise Elementary, Shellie Healy.

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